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FIRST INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 1.97(b)

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The citations listed on the attached PTO 1449, along with the

copies of enclosed references, provide the background and may be material to the examination of the above-identified application and are, therefore, submitted in compliance with the duty of disclosure in 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98.

Some of the references may have been disclosed in the application and provide either the background for the invention or support for practicing it. The designation of references corresponds to the designation given in the Form 1449.

Reference A. E. Wenzel et al. in U.S. Patent 4,083,698 disclose a clear stable liquid fuel composition for internal combustion engines.

Reference B. A. W. Schwab et al. in U.S. Patent 4,451,267 disclose microemulsions for vegetable oil and aqueous alcohol with a trialkylamines surfactant as an alternative fuel for Diesel engines.

Reference C. A. W. Schwab et al. in U.S. Patent 4,526,586 disclose microemulsions from vegetable oil and aqueous alcohols with 1-butanol and optionally trialkylamines as an alternative fuel for Diesel engines.

Reference D. W. Fridreich et al. in U.S. Patent 4,732,576 disclose a motor fuel and fuel oil emulsions using an organic salt as an emulsifier.

Reference E. J.W. Foresberg et al. in U.S. Patent 5,360,458 disclose water-oil emulsions comprising water, oil, and a minor emulsifying amount of the reaction product of at least one saturated or unsaturated aliphatic monocarboxylic acid of about 12

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to 24 carbon atoms.

Reference F. S.G. Schon et al. in U.S. Patent 5,004,479 disclose stable microemulsion fuel compositions which comprise (a) a hydrocarbon fuel such as Diesel fuel, jet fuel, gasoline, fuel oil, etc.; (b) water; and (c) a cosurfactant combination of methanol and a fatty acid which is partially neutralized by a nitrogenous base. In all aspects of U.S. Patent 5,004,479, methanol is the only alcohol present.

Reference G. 4,406,519. Must be a wrong patent number.

Reference H. A.W. Schwab in U.S. Patent 4,451,265 disclose microemulsions from vegetable oil with butanol surfactant with as an alternative to diesel fuel.

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SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 1.97(b)

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second information disclosure statement submitted herewith is being filed within three months of the filing date of the continuation application and/or before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits, whichever event occurs last. 37 CFR 1.97(b).

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These references were all found in the search by the European authority with corresponding application PCT/US99/00598, filed January 11, 1999.

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